

ANALYSIS OF THE 2014 POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLD ESTIMATES

Minnesota State Demographic Center

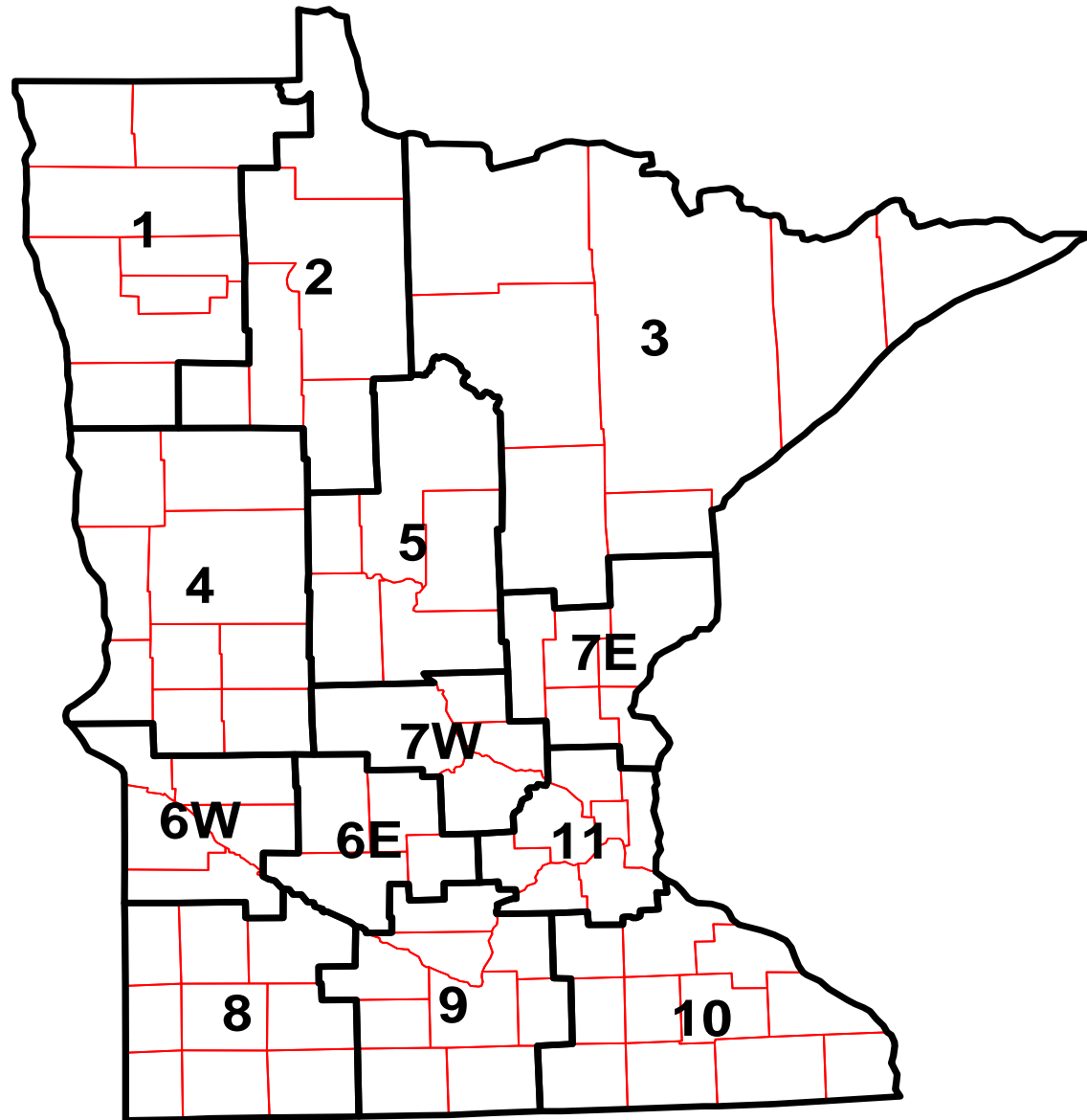
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State and Regional Highlights

- Minnesota's estimated population in 2014 is 5,453,218
- Minnesota added 149,293 residents between 2010 and 2014
- Only 2 of the 13 regions in Minnesota grew faster than the state population growth rate of +2.8%
- The fastest-growing regions of Minnesota between 2010 and 2014 were Region 11 (+4.6%) and Region 07W (+2.9%), which include the Twin Cities and St. Cloud
- Six of the thirteen regions of the state (01, 05, 06E, 06W, 07E, 08) lost population between 2010 and 2014
- Over half (54.6%) of Minnesota's population lives in the seven Twin Cities area counties that make up Region 11

Minnesota's Regions



Minnesota's regions in 2014

Region	Total population	Household population	Group quarters	Households	Persons per household
01	85,878	83,718	2,160	35,506	2.36
02	84,584	82,062	2,522	33,593	2.44
03	326,761	313,595	13,166	138,811	2.26
04	225,505	218,273	7,232	92,332	2.36
05	162,834	160,479	2,355	66,961	2.40
06E	116,389	114,140	2,249	46,982	2.43
06W	43,758	42,764	994	18,882	2.26
07E	163,555	158,910	4,645	61,818	2.57
07W	414,013	401,735	12,278	150,491	2.67
08	117,946	115,024	2,922	48,297	2.38
09	231,686	221,000	10,686	92,563	2.39
10	500,966	482,816	18,150	197,130	2.45
11	2,979,343	2,919,027	60,316	1,165,657	2.50
Minnesota	5,453,218	5,313,543	139,675	2,149,023	2.47

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Population and household change by region: 2010-2014

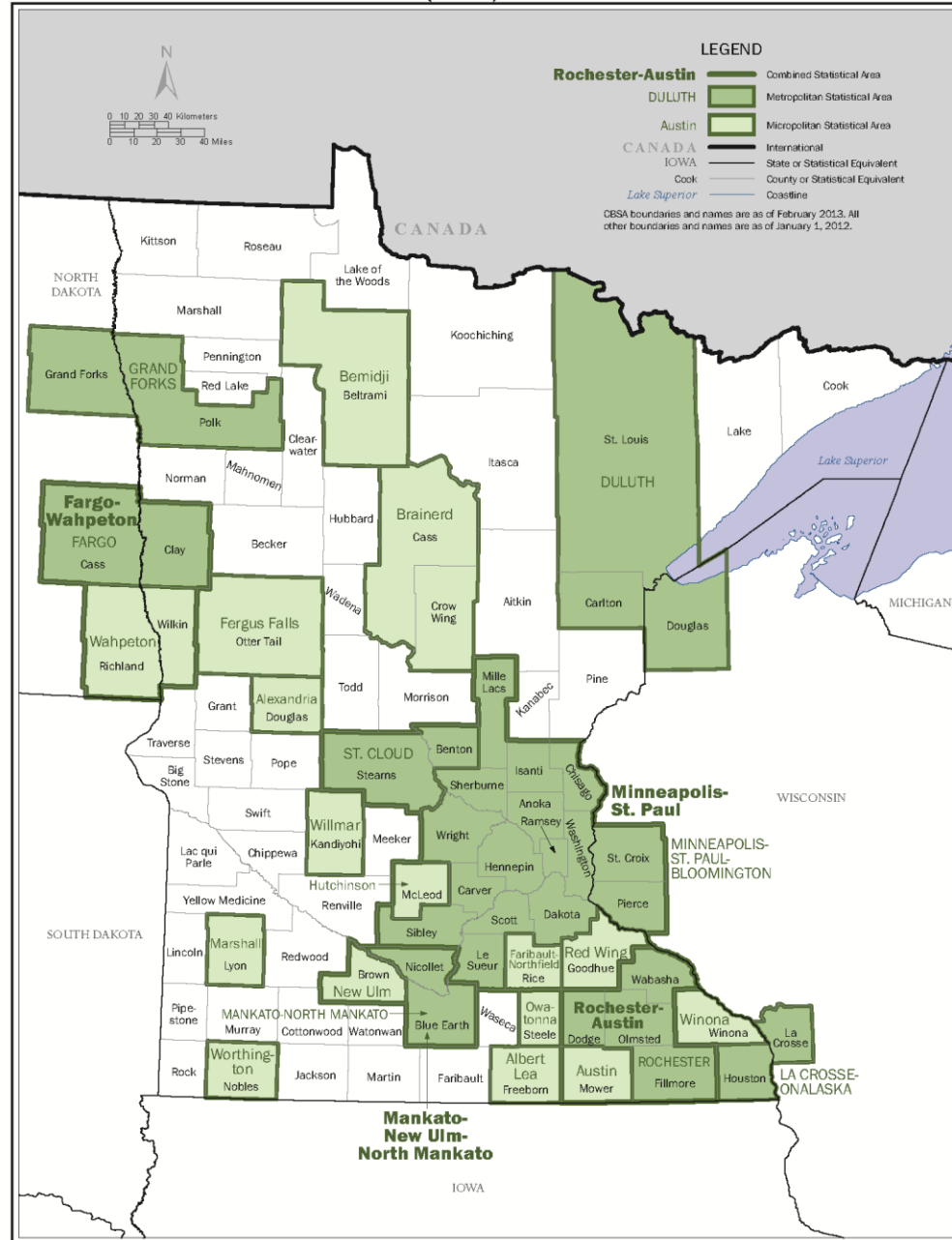
Region	Population				Households			
	2014	2010	2010-2014		2014	2010	2010-2014	
			Change	% Change			Change	% Change
01	85,878	86,091	-213	-0.2%	35,506	35,407	99	0.3%
02	84,584	83,023	1,561	1.9%	33,593	32,837	756	2.3%
03	326,761	326,225	536	0.2%	138,811	137,586	1,225	0.9%
04	225,505	221,688	3,817	1.7%	92,332	90,124	2,208	2.4%
05	162,834	163,003	-169	-0.1%	66,961	66,522	439	0.7%
06E	116,389	117,920	-1,531	-1.3%	46,982	47,111	-129	-0.3%
06W	43,758	45,190	-1,432	-3.2%	18,882	19,217	-335	-1.7%
07E	163,555	163,789	-234	-0.1%	61,818	61,394	424	0.7%
07W	414,013	402,292	11,721	2.9%	150,491	145,996	4,495	3.1%
08	117,946	119,151	-1,205	-1.0%	48,297	48,302	-5	0.0%
09	231,686	231,302	384	0.2%	92,563	91,292	1,271	1.4%
10	500,966	494,684	6,282	1.3%	197,130	193,690	3,440	1.8%
11	2,979,343	2,849,567	129,776	4.6%	1,165,657	1,117,749	47,908	4.3%
Minnesota	5,453,218	5,303,925	149,293	2.8%	2,149,023	2,087,227	61,796	3.0%

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Metropolitan Highlights

- A metropolitan area contains an urban core of at least 50,000 or more population. The urban core generally has a population density of at least 1,000 persons per square mile. Each metro area consists of one or more counties and includes the counties containing the core urban area as well as any adjacent counties that have a high degree of social and economic integration.
- Over 77 percent of all Minnesotans lived in a metropolitan area in 2014.
- With an increase of 3.8%, the metropolitan population grew faster than the state average (+2.8%) between 2010 and 2014.
- The fastest-growing metropolitan areas since 2010 were Minneapolis-St. Paul (+4.3%) and the Minnesota portion of Fargo-Moorhead (+3.7%).
- The Minnesota portions of the Grand Forks and La Crosse metropolitan areas lost population since 2010.
- Nonmetropolitan Minnesota experienced a small population loss since 2010.

MINNESOTA - Core Based Statistical Areas (CBSAs) and Counties



Minnesota's metropolitan areas in 2014

Metropolitan area	Total population	Household population	2014		Persons per household
			Group quarters	Households	
Duluth-Superior, MN-WI	236,416	225,134	11,282	99,353	2.27
Fargo-Moorhead, ND-MN	61,196	57,672	3,524	23,363	2.47
Grand Forks, ND-MN	31,545	30,274	1,271	12,743	2.38
La Crosse, WI-MN	18,766	18,500	266	7,944	2.33
Mankato-North Mankato, MN	98,970	91,987	6,983	38,033	2.42
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI	3,361,615	3,294,723	66,892	1,303,887	2.53
Rochester, MN	212,712	209,287	3,425	84,337	2.48
St. Cloud, MN	192,844	183,983	8,861	73,201	2.51
All metropolitan areas	4,214,064	4,111,560	102,504	1,642,861	2.50
Nonmetropolitan Minnesota	1,239,154	1,201,983	37,171	506,162	2.37

Note: Only the Minnesota portions of multi-state metropolitan areas are shown

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council based on OMB delineations as of 2/28/2013

Metropolitan population and household change: 2010-2014

Metropolitan area	Population				Households			
	2014	2010	2010-2014 Change	% Change	2014	2010	2010-2014 Change	% Change
Duluth-Superior, MN-WI	236,416	235,612	804	0.3%	99,353	98,321	1,032	1.0%
Fargo-Moorhead, ND-MN	61,196	58,999	2,197	3.7%	23,363	22,279	1,084	4.9%
Grand Forks, ND-MN	31,545	31,600	-55	-0.2%	12,743	12,704	39	0.3%
La Crosse, WI-MN	18,766	19,027	-261	-1.4%	7,944	7,849	95	1.2%
Mankato-North Mankato, MN	98,970	96,740	2,230	2.3%	38,033	36,646	1,387	3.8%
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI	3,361,615	3,223,495	138,120	4.3%	1,303,887	1,252,834	51,053	4.1%
Rochester, MN	212,712	206,877	5,835	2.8%	84,337	81,907	2,430	3.0%
St. Cloud, MN	192,844	189,093	3,751	2.0%	73,201	71,311	1,890	2.7%
All metropolitan areas	4,214,064	4,061,443	152,621	3.8%	1,642,861	1,583,851	59,010	3.7%
Nonmetropolitan Minnesota	1,239,154	1,242,482	-3,328	-0.3%	506,162	503,376	2,786	0.6%

Note: Only the Minnesota portions of multi-state metropolitan areas are shown

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Micropolitan Highlights

- A micropolitan area contains an urban core of at least 10,000 but less than 50,000 population. The core area generally has a population density of at least 1,000 persons per square mile. Each micro area consists of one or more counties and includes the counties containing the core urban area as well as any adjacent counties that have a high degree of social and economic integration.
- The federal Office of Management and Budget identified 16 micropolitan areas in Minnesota in 2014.
- Bemidji is the fastest-growing micropolitan area in the state (3.0%) and the only micropolitan area to grow faster than the state of rate 2.8%.
- Two micropolitan areas added over 1,000 residents since 2010 (Bemidji and Faribault-Northfield)
- Seven micropolitan areas have lost population since 2010.

Minnesota's micropolitan areas in 2014

Micropolitan area	Total population	Household population	Group quarters	Households	Persons per household
Albert Lea, MN	30,831	30,209	622	13,123	2.30
Alexandria, MN	36,789	36,262	527	15,757	2.30
Austin, MN	39,356	38,687	669	15,928	2.43
Bemidji, MN	45,770	43,677	2,093	17,421	2.51
Brainerd, MN	91,941	90,925	1,016	38,488	2.36
Faribault-Northfield, MN	65,180	57,840	7,340	22,764	2.54
Fergus Falls, MN	57,612	56,459	1,153	24,295	2.32
Hutchinson, MN	35,942	35,462	480	14,585	2.43
Marshall, MN	25,746	24,700	1,046	10,318	2.39
New Ulm, MN	25,463	24,349	1,114	10,786	2.26
Owatonna, MN	36,532	35,965	567	14,356	2.51
Red Wing, MN	46,480	45,551	929	18,964	2.40
Wahpeton, ND-MN*	6,503	6,354	149	2,694	2.36
Willmar, MN	42,258	41,230	1,028	16,825	2.45
Winona, MN	51,109	46,777	4,332	19,714	2.37
Worthington, MN	21,574	21,199	375	8,016	2.64
All micropolitan areas	659,086	635,646	23,440	264,034	2.41

*--Data shown are for the Wilkin County portion of the Wahpeton ND-MN micropolitan area

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center based on OMB delineations as of 2/28/2013

Micropolitan population and household change: 2010-2014

Micropolitan area	Population				Households			
	2014	2010	2010-2014		2014	2010	2010-2014	
			Change	% Change			Change	% Change
Albert Lea, MN	30,831	31,255	-424	-1.4%	13,123	13,177	-54	-0.4%
Alexandria, MN	36,789	36,009	780	2.2%	15,757	15,289	468	3.1%
Austin, MN	39,356	39,163	193	0.5%	15,928	15,828	100	0.6%
Bemidji, MN	45,770	44,442	1,328	3.0%	17,421	16,846	575	3.4%
Brainerd, MN	91,941	91,067	874	1.0%	38,488	37,981	507	1.3%
Faribault-Northfield, MN	65,180	64,142	1,038	1.6%	22,764	22,315	449	2.0%
Fergus Falls, MN	57,612	57,303	309	0.5%	24,295	24,055	240	1.0%
Hutchinson, MN	35,942	36,651	-709	-1.9%	14,585	14,639	-54	-0.4%
Marshall, MN	25,746	25,857	-111	-0.4%	10,318	10,227	91	0.9%
New Ulm, MN	25,463	25,893	-430	-1.7%	10,786	10,782	4	0.0%
Owatonna, MN	36,532	36,576	-44	-0.1%	14,356	14,330	26	0.2%
Red Wing, MN	46,480	46,183	297	0.6%	18,964	18,730	234	1.2%
Wahpeton, ND-MN*	6,503	6,576	-73	-1.1%	2,694	2,690	4	0.1%
Willmar, MN	42,258	42,239	19	0.0%	16,825	16,732	93	0.6%
Winona, MN	51,109	51,461	-352	-0.7%	19,714	19,554	160	0.8%
Worthington, MN	21,574	21,378	196	0.9%	8,016	7,946	70	0.9%
All micropolitan areas	659,086	656,195	2,891	0.4%	264,034	261,121	2,913	1.1%

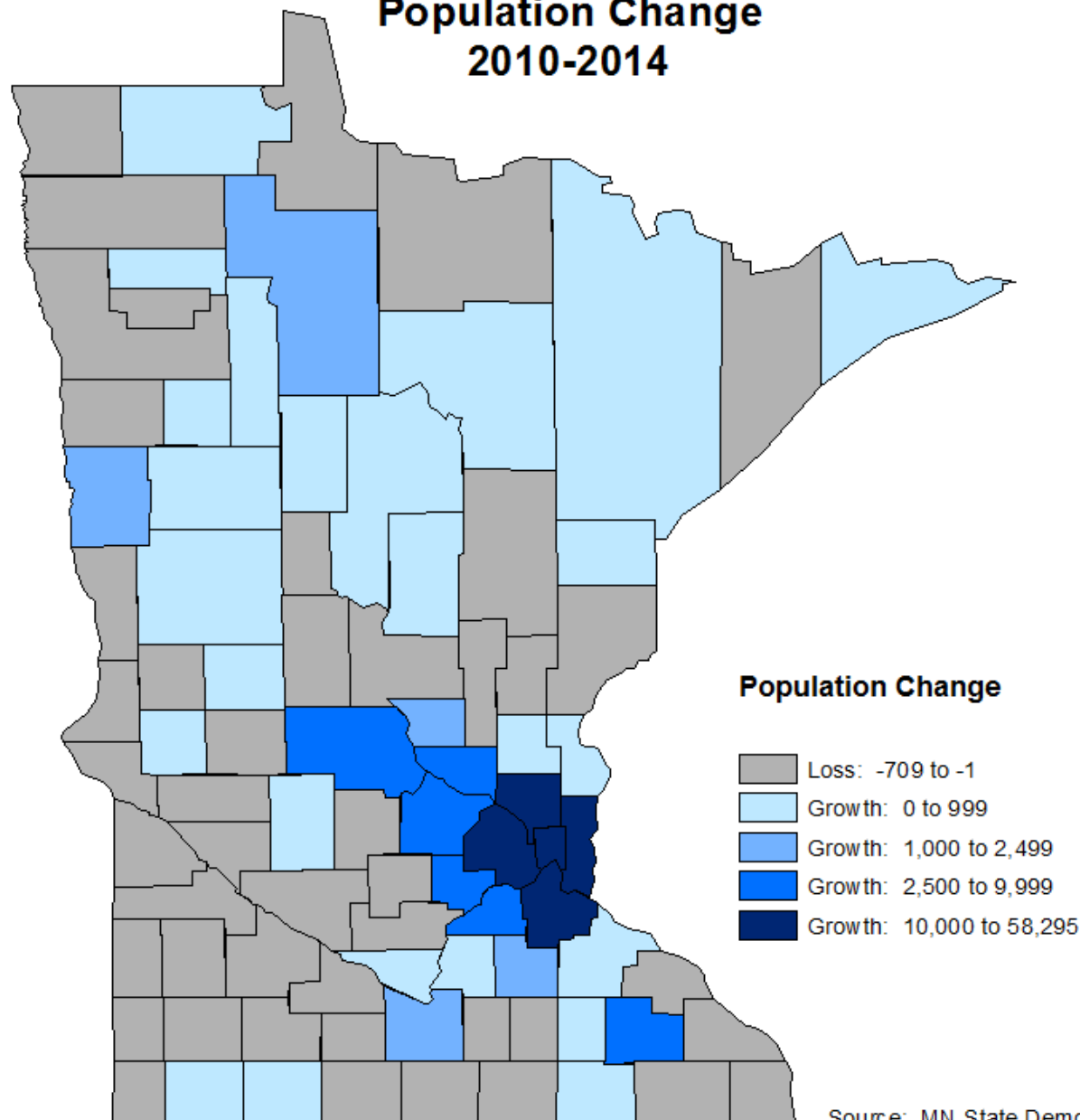
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County Highlights

- Minnesota has 87 counties ranging in size from 3,392 (Traverse) to 1,210,720 (Hennepin).
- There are 19 counties with more than 50,000 residents and 10 counties with populations exceeding 100,000.
- There are 19 counties with fewer than 10,000 residents and 4 counties with fewer than 5,000 residents.
- Hennepin and Ramsey counties led all counties with population increases of 58,295 and 20,866 respectively between 2010 and 2014.
- Sixteen counties added over 1,000 residents between 2010 and 2014.
- Forty-six counties have lost population since 2010.
- Scott County (+6.8%), Carver County (+6.7%) and Hennepin County (+5.1%) were the fastest-growing counties between 2010 and 2014.
- Average household size ranges from 2.03 persons per household (PPH) in Cook County to 2.89 persons per household in Scott County.
- Counties with the highest PPH ring the Twin Cities area
- Counties with the lowest PPH are primarily in the northeast and along the western and southern borders of Minnesota.

Population Change 2010-2014



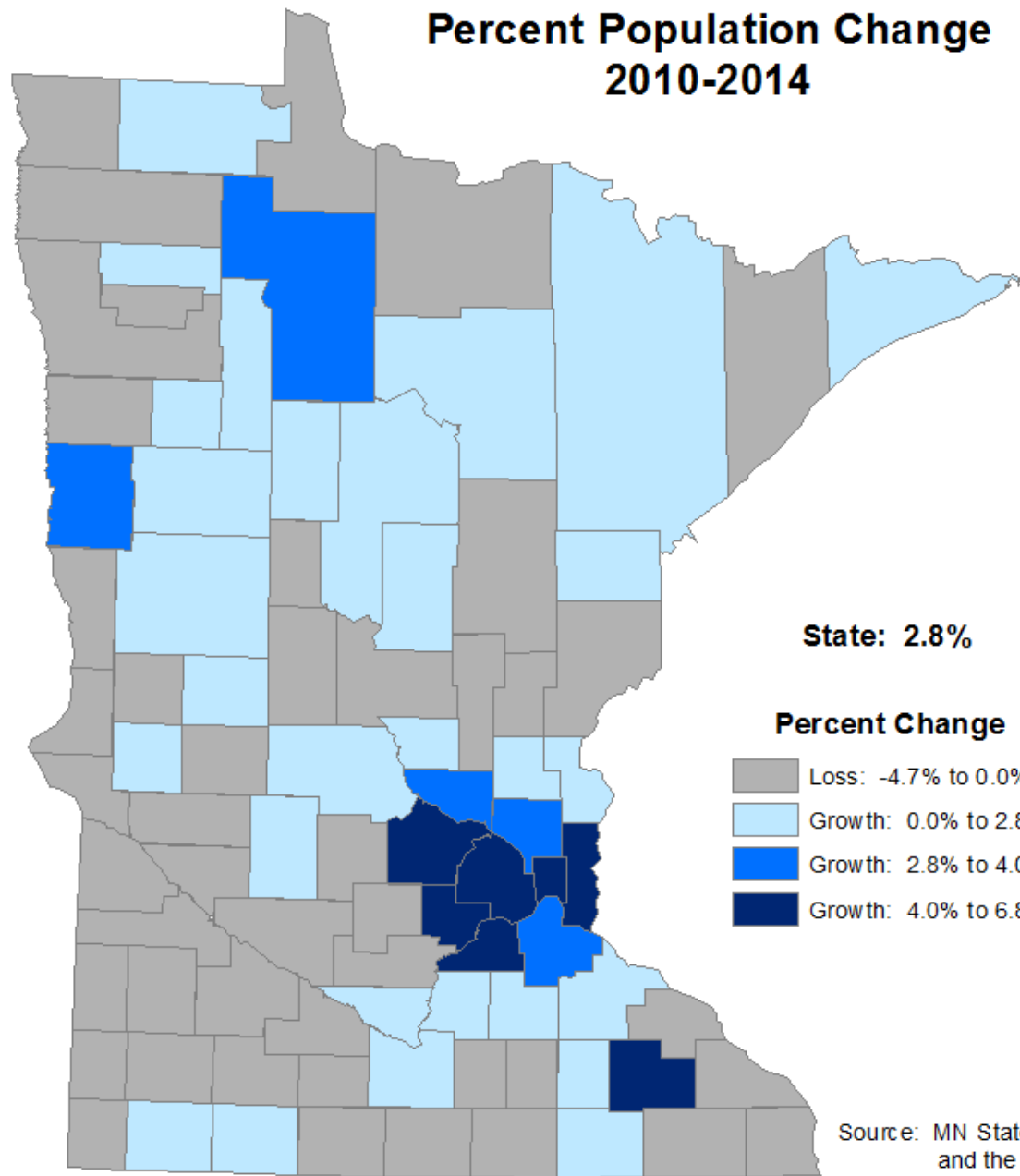
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**Sixteen counties added over
1,000 residents since 2010**

Rank	City	2014 population	2010 population	2010-2014 change
1	Hennepin	1,210,720	1,152,425	58,295
2	Ramsey	529,506	508,640	20,866
3	Dakota	411,507	398,552	12,955
4	Anoka	342,612	330,844	11,768
5	Washington	249,109	238,136	10,973
6	Scott	138,727	129,928	8,799
7	Carver	97,162	91,042	6,120
8	Olmsted	150,201	144,248	5,953
9	Wright	129,946	124,700	5,246
10	Sherburne	91,223	88,499	2,724
11	Stearns	153,326	150,642	2,684
12	Clay	61,196	58,999	2,197
13	Blue Earth	65,620	64,013	1,607
14	Beltrami	45,770	44,442	1,328
15	Benton	39,518	38,451	1,067
16	Rice	65,180	64,142	1,038

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Percent Population Change 2010-2014

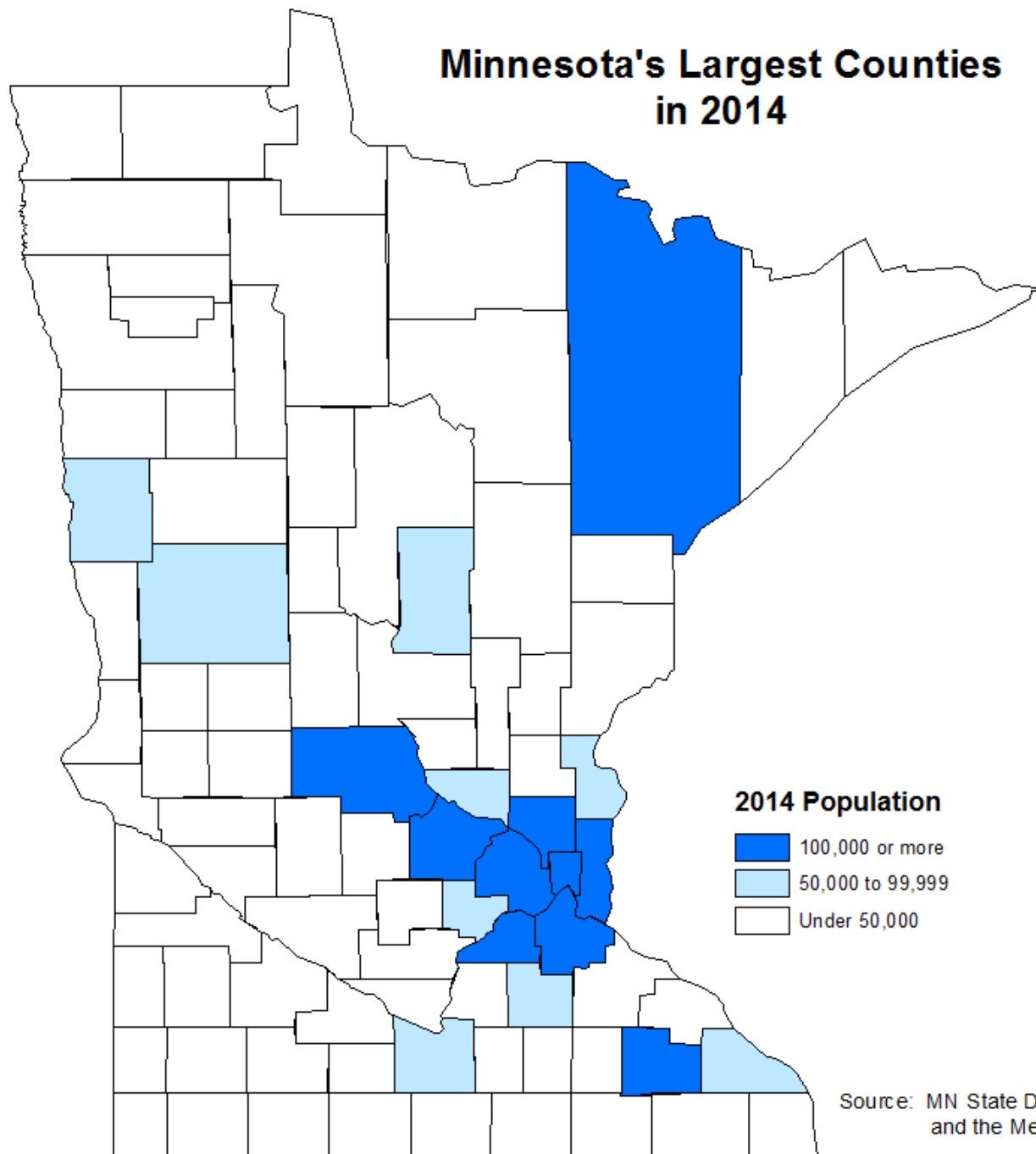


Fastest-growing counties since 2010

Rank	County			2010-2014	2010-2014
		2014 population	2010 population	numeric change	percent change
1	Scott	138,727	129,928	8,799	6.8%
2	Carver	97,162	91,042	6,120	6.7%
3	Hennepin	1,210,720	1,152,425	58,295	5.1%
4	Washington	249,109	238,136	10,973	4.6%
5	Wright	129,946	124,700	5,246	4.2%
6	Olmsted	150,201	144,248	5,953	4.1%
7	Ramsey	529,506	508,640	20,866	4.1%
8	Clay	61,196	58,999	2,197	3.7%
9	Anoka	342,612	330,844	11,768	3.6%
10	Dakota	411,507	398,552	12,955	3.3%
11	Sherburne	91,223	88,499	2,724	3.1%
12	Beltrami	45,770	44,442	1,328	3.0%
13	Benton	39,518	38,451	1,067	2.8%
14	Blue Earth	65,620	64,013	1,607	2.5%
15	Becker	33,272	32,504	768	2.4%
16	Douglas	36,789	36,009	780	2.2%

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Minnesota's Largest Counties in 2014



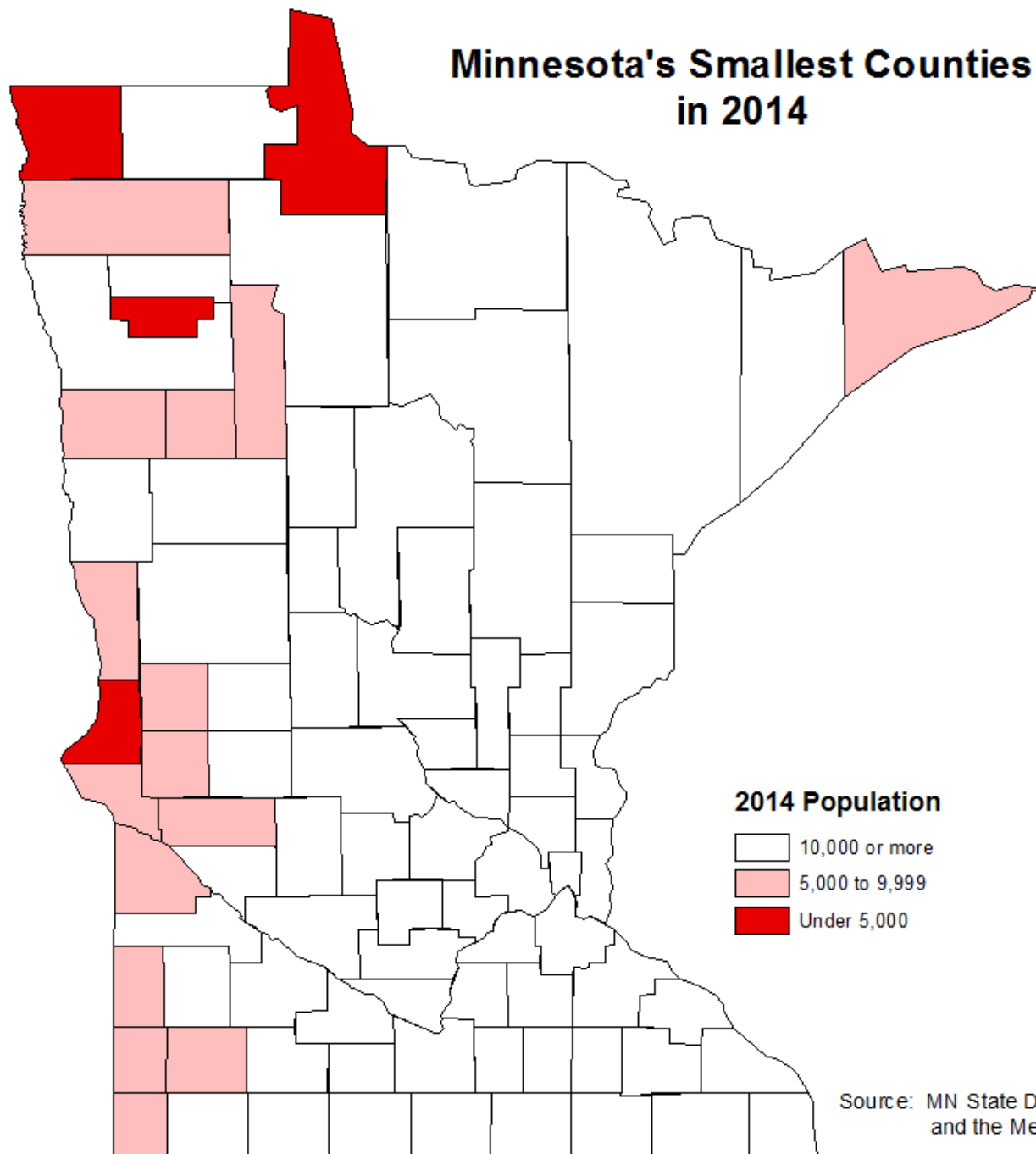
Source: MN State Demographic Center
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Minnesota has 19 counties with more than 50,000 residents

2014 rank	2010 rank	County	2014 population	2010 population	2010-2014 numeric change	2010-2014 percent change
1	1	Hennepin	1,210,720	1,152,425	58,295	5.1%
2	2	Ramsey	529,506	508,640	20,866	4.1%
3	3	Dakota	411,507	398,552	12,955	3.3%
4	4	Anoka	342,612	330,844	11,768	3.6%
5	5	Washington	249,109	238,136	10,973	4.6%
6	6	St. Louis	200,840	200,226	614	0.3%
7	7	Stearns	153,326	150,642	2,684	1.8%
8	8	Olmsted	150,201	144,248	5,953	4.1%
9	9	Scott	138,727	129,928	8,799	6.8%
10	10	Wright	129,946	124,700	5,246	4.2%
11	11	Carver	97,162	91,042	6,120	6.7%
12	12	Sherburne	91,223	88,499	2,724	3.1%
13	14	Blue Earth	65,620	64,013	1,607	2.5%
14	13	Rice	65,180	64,142	1,038	1.6%
15	15	Crow Wing	63,371	62,500	871	1.4%
16	16	Clay	61,196	58,999	2,197	3.7%
17	17	Otter Tail	57,612	57,303	309	0.5%
18	18	Chisago	54,134	53,887	247	0.5%
19	19	Winona	51,109	51,461	-352	-0.7%

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Minnesota's Smallest Counties in 2014

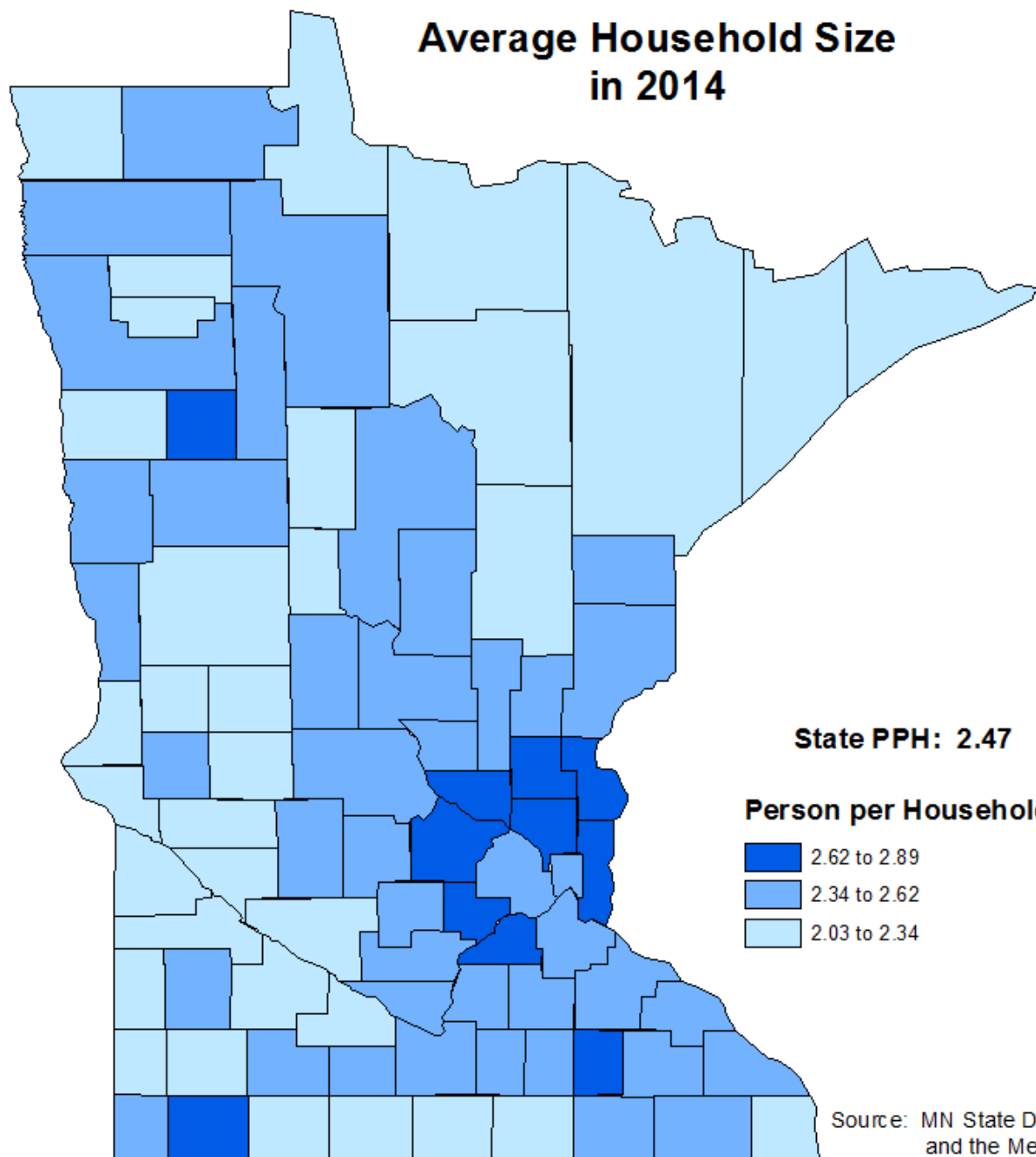


Minnesota has 19 counties with fewer than 10,000 residents

2014 rank	2010 rank	County	2014 population	2010 population	2010-2014 numeric change	2010-2014 percent change
69	70	Stevens	9,836	9,726	110	1.1%
70	71	Rock	9,555	9,687	-132	-1.4%
71	69	Swift	9,453	9,783	-330	-3.4%
72	73	Marshall	9,420	9,439	-19	-0.2%
73	72	Pipestone	9,336	9,596	-260	-2.7%
74	75	Clearwater	8,794	8,695	99	1.1%
75	74	Murray	8,475	8,725	-250	-2.9%
76	76	Lac qui Parle	6,922	7,259	-337	-4.6%
77	77	Norman	6,643	6,852	-209	-3.1%
78	78	Wilkin	6,503	6,576	-73	-1.1%
79	79	Grant	5,923	6,018	-95	-1.6%
80	80	Lincoln	5,788	5,896	-108	-1.8%
81	81	Mahnomen	5,503	5,413	90	1.7%
82	83	Cook	5,231	5,176	55	1.1%
83	82	Big Stone	5,124	5,269	-145	-2.8%
84	84	Kittson	4,440	4,552	-112	-2.5%
85	85	Red Lake	4,048	4,089	-41	-1.0%
86	86	Lake of the Woods	3,921	4,045	-124	-3.1%
87	87	Traverse	3,392	3,558	-166	-4.7%

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Average Household Size in 2014



Source: MN State Demographic Center
and the Metropolitan Council

Counties with the largest and smallest average household size

2014 Rank	2010 Rank	County	Persons per Household in	
			2014	2010
1	2	Scott	2.89	2.85
2	1	Sherburne	2.86	2.86
3	3	Wright	2.79	2.78
4	4	Carver	2.75	2.74
5	5	Anoka	2.70	2.70
6	9	Washington	2.67	2.67
7	7	Isanti	2.66	2.67
8	8	Dodge	2.66	2.67
9	6	Chisago	2.66	2.68
10	11	Mahnomen	2.65	2.64
78	83	Kittson	2.22	2.24
79	81	Big Stone	2.22	2.24
80	80	Lincoln	2.22	2.24
81	78	Lac qui Parle	2.21	2.25
82	76	Traverse	2.20	2.27
83	82	Lake of the Woods	2.19	2.24
84	84	Koochiching	2.18	2.23
85	85	Lake	2.18	2.21
86	86	Aitkin	2.16	2.18
87	87	Cook	2.03	2.05

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

City Highlights

- In 2014, Minnesota had 852 cities ranging in size from 10 persons (Funkley and Kinbrae) to 411,283 (Minneapolis).
- There are 19 cities with populations exceeding 50,000.
- There are 23 cities with fewer than 50 residents.
- The fastest growing class of cities since 2010 has been the cities exceeding 100,000 population.
- Minneapolis has added 28,695 residents and St. Paul has added 14,573 residents since 2010; Blaine, Rochester and Woodbury have added more than 4,000 residents.
- With the exception of Rochester and Moorhead, the largest population increases are in cities in the Twin Cities metro area.
- Among cities with at least 1,000 residents in 2014, Rogers was the fastest-growing with an increase of 42.3% between 2010 and 2014.
- Over half of the cities with fewer than 1,000 residents lost population between 2010 and 2014; during that time period two of every three cities with fewer than 250 residents lost population.

Cities by size of place: 2014

Size Category	No. of Cities	2014 Population	2010 Population	Population Change 2010-2014	Percent Change 2010-2014	Number Losing Population 2010-2014
100,000 or more	3	821,921	774,415	47,506	6.1%	0
50,000-99,999	16	1,048,790	1,011,569	37,221	3.7%	0
25,000-49,999	19	626,511	604,019	22,492	3.7%	2
10,000-24,999	58	976,708	944,406	32,302	3.4%	8
5,000-9,999	51	359,840	348,093	11,747	3.4%	8
2,500-4,999	82	289,891	283,667	6,224	2.2%	24
1,000-2,499	127	202,128	200,638	1,490	0.7%	50
500-999	136	95,575	94,692	883	0.9%	72
250-499	126	46,527	46,693	-166	-0.4%	67
Less than 250	234	30,029	30,668	-639	-2.1%	157
Total	852	4,497,920	4,338,860	159,060	3.7%	388

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Minnesota has 19 cities with more than 50,000 residents

2014 rank	2010 rank	City	2014 population	2010 population	2010-2014 numeric change	2010-2014 percent change
1	1	Minneapolis city	411,273	382,578	28,695	7.5%
2	2	St. Paul city	299,641	285,068	14,573	5.1%
3	3	Rochester city	111,007	106,769	4,238	4.0%
4	5	Bloomington city	86,652	82,893	3,759	4.5%
5	4	Duluth city	86,367	86,265	102	0.1%
6	6	Brooklyn Park city	78,362	75,781	2,581	3.4%
7	7	Plymouth city	73,633	70,576	3,057	4.3%
8	9	Eagan city	66,810	64,206	2,604	4.1%
9	8	St. Cloud city	66,462	65,842	620	0.9%
10	10	Woodbury city	66,119	61,961	4,158	6.7%
11	11	Maple Grove city	64,448	61,567	2,881	4.7%
12	13	Eden Prairie city	62,593	60,797	1,796	3.0%
13	12	Coon Rapids city	62,435	61,476	959	1.6%
14	15	Blaine city	62,066	57,186	4,880	8.5%
15	14	Burnsville city	61,747	60,306	1,441	2.4%
16	16	Lakeville city	59,361	55,954	3,407	6.1%
17	17	Minnetonka city	51,144	49,734	1,410	2.8%
18	18	Apple Valley city	50,330	49,084	1,246	2.5%
19	19	Edina city	50,261	47,941	2,320	4.8%


Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Fourteen cities added over 2,500 residents since 2010

Rank	City	2014 population	2010 population	2010-2014 change
1	Minneapolis city	411,273	382,578	28,695
2	St. Paul city	299,641	285,068	14,573
3	Blaine city	62,066	57,186	4,880
4	Rochester city	111,007	106,769	4,238
5	Woodbury city	66,119	61,961	4,158
6	Bloomington city	86,652	82,893	3,759
7	Rogers city	12,230	8,597	3,633
8	Lakeville city	59,361	55,954	3,407
9	Moorhead city	41,181	38,065	3,116
10	Plymouth city	73,633	70,576	3,057
11	Maple Grove city	64,448	61,567	2,881
12	St. Louis Park city	47,933	45,250	2,683
13	Eagan city	66,810	64,206	2,604
14	Brooklyn Park city	78,362	75,781	2,581

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Fastest-growing cities in Minnesota from 2010 to 2014

Rank	City	County	2014  population	2010 population	2010-2014 numeric change	2010-2014 percent change
1	Rogers city	Hennepin	12,230	8,597	3,633	42.3%
2	Wayzata city	Hennepin	4,476	3,688	788	21.4%
3	Medina city	Hennepin	5,831	4,892	939	19.2%
4	Alexandria city	Douglas	13,182	11,070	2,112	19.1%
5	Carlton city	Carlton	1,004	862	142	16.5%
6	Carver city	Carver	4,293	3,724	569	15.3%
7	Victoria city	Carver	8,462	7,345	1,117	15.2%
8	Eagle Lake city	Blue Earth	2,779	2,422	357	14.7%
9	Jordan city	Scott	6,148	5,470	678	12.4%
10	Madison Lake city	Blue Earth	1,137	1,017	120	11.8%
11	Waite Park city	Stearns	7,473	6,715	758	11.3%
12	Otsego city	Wright	14,968	13,571	1,397	10.3%
13	Prior Lake city	Scott	24,911	22,796	2,115	9.3%
14	St. Anthony city	Hennepin, Ramsey	8,965	8,226	739	9.0%
15	Elko New Market city	Scott	4,472	4,110	362	8.8%
16	Blaine city	Anoka, Ramsey	62,066	57,186	4,880	8.5%
17	Bayport city	Washington	3,767	3,471	296	8.5%
18	Spring Park city	Hennepin	1,809	1,669	140	8.4%
19	Moorhead city	Clay	41,181	38,065	3,116	8.2%
20	Oronoco city	Olmsted	1,406	1,300	106	8.2%
21	Montrose city	Wright	3,073	2,847	226	7.9%
22	Savage city	Scott	29,047	26,911	2,136	7.9%
23	Hopkins city	Hennepin	18,971	17,591	1,380	7.8%
24	Waconia city	Carver	11,520	10,697	823	7.7%
25	Cologne city	Carver	1,633	1,519	114	7.5%
26	Minneapolis city	Hennepin	411,273	382,578	28,695	7.5%

Note: Includes only cities with at least 1,000 residents in 2014

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Township Highlights

- Minnesota had 1,783 townships in 2014.
- Seventy percent of these townships have fewer than 500 residents.
- Sixty-four percent of Minnesota's townships have lost population since 2010.
- Eight townships have more than 5,000 residents.
- With 11,072 residents, White Bear township in Ramsey County is the largest township in the state.
- Four of the ten largest townships are in Sherburne County.
- Credit River township in Scott County led all townships with a population increase of 363 since the 2010 Census.
- Eight of the top ten townships for population growth are located in the Twin Cities metropolitan area and the other two are in the Rochester metropolitan area.

Townships by size of place: 2014

Size Category	No. of Townships	2014 Population	2010 Population	Population Change 2010-2014	Percent Change 2010-2014	Number Losing Population 2010-2014
10,000-24,999	1	11,072	10,949	123	1.1%	0
5,000-9,999	7	41,402	40,140	1,262	3.1%	0
2,500-4,999	29	95,740	95,809	-69	-0.1%	9
1,000-2,499	177	268,903	267,992	911	0.3%	74
500-999	321	223,639	225,369	-1,730	-0.8%	188
250-499	449	160,162	163,675	-3,513	-2.1%	299
100-249	574	101,024	103,768	-2,744	-2.6%	422
Less than 100	225	14,472	15,026	-554	-3.7%	145
Total	1,783	916,414	922,728	-6,314	-0.7%	1,137

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

Ten largest townships in 2014

2014 rank	2010 rank	Township	County	2014 population	2010 population	2010-2014 numeric change	2010-2014 percent change
1	1	White Bear township	Ramsey	11,072	10,949	123	1.1%
2	2	Big Lake township	Sherburne	7,571	7,386	185	2.5%
3	3	Baldwin township	Sherburne	6,830	6,739	91	1.4%
4	4	Livonia township	Sherburne	6,103	5,951	152	2.6%
5	6	Credit River township	Scott	5,459	5,096	363	7.1%
6	5	Linwood township	Anoka	5,212	5,123	89	1.7%
7	8	Becker township	Sherburne	5,170	4,842	328	6.8%
8	7	Thomson township	Carlton	5,057	5,003	54	1.1%
9	10	Chisago Lake township	Chisago	4,618	4,656	-38	-0.8%
10	9	Northern township	Beltrami	4,487	4,657	-170	-3.7%

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Top townships for population growth

Rank	Township	County	2014 population	2010 population	2010-2014 change
1	Credit River township	Scott	5,459	5,096	363
2	Becker township	Sherburne	5,170	4,842	328
3	Empire township	Dakota	2,718	2,444	274
4	West Lakeland township	Washington	4,256	4,054	202
5	Cedar Lake township	Scott	2,978	2,779	199
6	Marion township	Olmsted	3,848	3,653	195
7	Big Lake township	Sherburne	7,571	7,386	185
8	Livonia township	Sherburne	6,103	5,951	152
9	Helena township	Scott	1,798	1,648	150
10	Rochester township	Olmsted	1,778	1,629	149

Sources: Minnesota State Demographic Center and Metropolitan Council

Geographic Changes from 1/1/2010 through 1/1/2015

Area name	County (FIPS code)	MCD FIPS code	Effective Date	Description of change
Hassan township	Hennepin (053)	27476	7/20/2010	Hassan township no longer exists; entire township annexed by Rogers city.
Iron Range township	Itasca (061)	31256	10/9/2012	Iron Range township no longer exists; entire township annexed by Taconite city.
Tenney city	Wilkin (167)	64426	6/21/2011	Tenney city disincorporated; area now part of Campbell township.
Thomson city	Carlton (017)	64750	1/1/2015	Thomson city merged with Carlton city; the new city is named Carlton.